

If we look at the anti-war and peace movements - they have grown to impressive and significant numbers. Before George W. Bush and company waged war against Iraq, there were millions of people in the streets protesting the war. All over the world people were protesting the war, and all, or a vast majority of them, are working class people. With so many people all over the world in protest, why haven't those same people organized to bring a halt to every machine and computer and change the course of history? There would have been no bloodshed or violence (for those who have no stomach for this kind of direct action). Is it because these governments have placed so much fear into the minds of people that just the thought of not working is paralyzing in and of itself?

Today, the U.S. has been successful where their many government agencies can now tap into emails and websites to find out who writes what, who reads what, and who is in communication with whom. Still, it is "WE" who can change the present and create a new future. Question is, is there enough belief to do so?

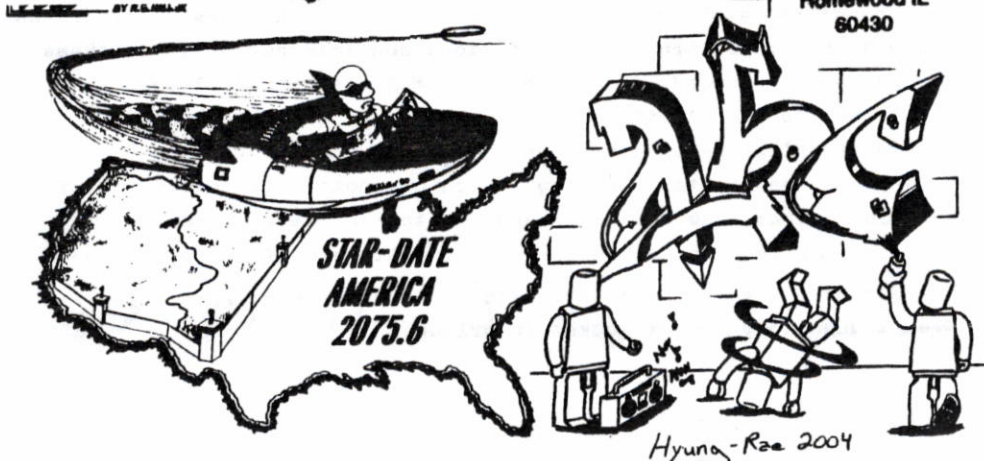
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In today's super information age there is a crisis taking place that few people have noticed and those who have are of the mind that it is needed. The government and the media have perpetuated and falsely created national hysteria in reporting about crime.

Crime has been used for political reasons to advance an array of agendas and pass a litany of laws that otherwise would not have been accepted by the general public. The government has capitalized from promoting fear and so has the news media, the private and corporate sector.

In Amerikkka, the steady stream of propaganda given to the people is that crime is out of control and they have effectively targeted the young black and Latino male as the enemy. Criminologist and right-wing conservative professors and writers have purposefully used distorted statistics in their predictions and reporting of crime where it has amplified the distrust between whites, Blacks and Latinos by suggesting Blacks and Latinos are disproportionately committing the majority of crimes in Amerikkka.

These government and conservative statisticians systematically worked the numbers (in reporting actual crime) to give the necessary message to middle and upper class whites that urban areas are rife in all manner of deviance, thus creating such fear into the minds of whites that the vast majority of whites have fled the urban area and moved in the metropolitan/suburban areas thinking that they have escaped the criminal mindset in the urban areas where there is a predominance of black and Latino people due to redlining districts, gerrymandering and political maneuverings by banks, real estate agencies and politicians.

Amerikkka Practices Its Own Brand of Ethnic Cleansing

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The government and media use "code words" in today's politically correct society by using such terms as "war on drugs" or "war on crime", which is meant as a war on Blacks and Latinos with the emphasis being that Blacks and Latinos are responsible for the majority of crimes committed, which is backed up with bogus statistics and false reporting designed to meet the propaganda rhetoric in order to heighten the public fears

Such false reporting allows the police to view Blacks and Latinos as wild and drug-crazed animals who must be dealt with using deadly force as justification for committing open murder, or mass incarceration and/or both. The media and the public see crime as acts committed by violent, drug crazed young Black and Latino males, even though the corporate sector, Wall Street and bankers commit the most serious of crimes, ala Enron and Global Crossing.

The poor have become the target for an array of attacks. Seen as useless and an inherently criminally dangerous class and undeserving it allows for the disbanding of social programs like welfare and job-creation programs for the more lucrative prison industrial complex, and law enforcement complex where there is maximum return from investment as 2 million languish in prisons and jails across the nation.

Today we have a pResident who bought, tricked, lied, schemed and petitioned the Supreme Court for the Whitehouse job as the "Commander and Thief" rather than the Commander and Chief of the country.

The myth lives on by the influence of government, its criminal agencies, and overzealous policing of ghettos that drugs is the major factor of crime and as a result police create situations in Black and Latino neighborhoods to support the overblown myth that young Black and Latino males are destroying the fabric of life with drugs, which is categorically untrue. Pharmaceutical companies are the biggest promoters, pushers and profiteers, but they are government sanctioned so they are allowed to commit their acts. But Black and Latinos are accused of being the major problem with drugs and as a result are sentenced to long prison terms which has fueled a vast and prosperous prison industry where billions of dollars are made from the incarcerated. Revenues of cities and towns have found kapital gain which adds to more money in taxes for the government coffers at the expense of taxpayers, while also guaranteeing reelections for politicians, judges and prosecutors who sell fear to the public and securing for themselves, good paying jobs.

Young Black males make up roughly 6 percent of the total population in the United States, but 40 percent of those arrested for drug possession and trafficking and it is estimated that more than 50 percent of young Black males are convicted of violating drug laws. Yet, the white male population, which is five times greater than the Black male population, accounts for only 37 percent of those convicted of drug offenses, despite the fact that, as national household surveys indicate, whites are more likely to use illicit drugs than either Blacks or Latinos, with the exception of perhaps marijuana, which is then basically evenly paired. It is estimated that 73 percent of whites use drugs but Blacks are 73 percent of those arrested and convicted for drugs and latinos are estimated to be in the 45 to 50 percent range of those arrested and convicted for drugs.

Another growing and disturbing problem in Amerikkka is that of black women and juveniles are the hardest hit by the racially inequitable enforcement of drug laws. In the last twenty-five years the number of women in state and federal prisons has increased fourfold.

The majority of women prisoners are in prison for drug use or drug related crimes, which has had a devastating impact on the Black family, because figures show that 7.5 percent of Black female prisoners are mothers. Overt discrimination in sentencing for Black juveniles is staggering by all standards, while white juveniles in detention for drugs has declined since 1985, whereas the number of non-white juveniles (mostly black) in detention increased by 259 percent. If the statistics indicated that 75 percent of white females mere in prison/jails or that the white, juvenile in detention was up 259 percent Washington D.C. would be besieged by an array of white organizations, white radicals, activists and social workers of all kind, demanding a change in police arrest and the sentencing practice. But, because it is Blacks and other non-whites the cry for equality has fallen deaf ears.

With so many blacks and non-whites locked away this can only be viewed as an ethnic cleansing by way over-policing, over-arrest, over-sentencing and over-murdering (by police and other law enforcement agencies) of young black males especially, and all non-whites, generally.

Sooner or later these rather disturbing problems must be fully and honestly addressed and solutions made for the current trend dealing with the social problems of today. Either we will deal with the problems in an effective manner or we all will sink further and further in social destruction.

Stopping The Machines of Greed

During the nineteenth century there was a new technology emerging that radically transformed the world. It was industrialization. The old mercantile and bartering systems were being replaced and the workers, i.e., craftsmen, carpenters, etc., were finding themselves being less useful due to machines having the ability to do much of the work humans once did. But also, the industrial revolution changed the way people lived and lifestyles.

It created alienation ranging from individuals dealing with one another to the quickening destruction of the environment and it created worker rivalries. Slums and ghettos were developing. Aggressive imperial expansion because the norm and death was merely a calculated expense for the end result.

Nationalism became the necessary tool to enhance benefits for nation-states and to denounce all who are apart of a particular nation-state. Greed and hoarding of wealth was justified as "National Security" under the concept of self-preservation while the machines continue to produce more and more excess of goods.

Now we are in the technological/information age and the working class find itself even further removed from one another. In fact, we could say, this is the age of extreme paranoia induced by governments control over the lives of people. Spy cameras' have become the norm. People are watched 24-hours a day by various government agencies. All information about an individual is gathered, stored and used in order to either manipulate them for some reason or for profiling. The right to be who you are has been altered because the all-seeing eye of government is watching, and just the thought of that has an effect on human behavior patterns, social actions and interactions. Yet these things can be changed. All it takes is for a substantial amount of people not to operate the machine, the camera or the computer.

These things must have human input to function. But the government has created such fear, such paranoia into the psyche of the people that they dare not even try to shut down these contraptions that has taken over the quality of life; that has made the worker a slave to his labor and the average citizen a prisoner, even though they aren't locked in prison.